

SENATE BILL 1846  
By Herron

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 63,  
Chapter 7, relative to nursing.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 63-7-101, is amended by designating the existing language as subsection (a) and by adding the following as a new subsection (b):

(b) The purpose of this chapter is also to safeguard the life and health of Tennesseans by providing an adequate amount of appropriately trained nurses to meet the health care needs of this state and its health care facilities.

SECTION 2. On or before January 15, 2006, the board of nursing shall report to the senate general welfare, health and human resources committee and the house health and human resources committee concerning efforts by the board of nursing to provide adequate numbers of nurses for health care facilities and organizations in this state. The report shall also make recommendations for appropriate legislation to facilitate such efforts.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.